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Abstract of the Disclosure

A current conducting melting vessel within which glass can be melted is provided. At least two induction heating coils are provided at selected locations proximate to the melting vessel. Power is selectively supplied to the coils to thereby selectively energise the coils so that the mutual induction of current in a non-energised heating coil adjacent to an energised heating coil is prevented via a switching element in power supply circuitry associated with the non-energised coil.